

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY Region I – New England

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Sent via FOIAonline

August 7, 2018

RE: Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Request No. EPA-R1-2018-008941

Dear Ms. Thomas:

This is an *interim* response to your FOIA request dated June 22, 2018, seeking certain documents regarding total nitrogen and the Great Bay Estuary.

We have uploaded into FOIAonline 13 non-privileged documents responsive to your request.

This is an interim response only. Additional information will be forthcoming. Upon providing you with a *final* response, to the extent there are any adverse determinations you may appeal such determinations at that time. Information on how to appeal any adverse determinations will be provided along with the final response letter.

EPA continues to search for and review additional documents that may be responsive to your request. EPA requires an extension of time to **September 11, 2018**, in order to complete a centralized search of Outlook email records which may be responsive to your request. As it has done here, EPA will provide you with an interim response(s) as practicable and appropriate prior to its final response. If you would like to discuss narrowing your request or have any questions or concerns, please contact Michael Knapp of our Office of Regional Counsel at 617-918-1053 or knapp.michael@epa.gov.

Additionally, you may seek assistance, including dispute resolution services, from EPA's FOIA Public Liaison at hq.foia@epa.gov or (202) 566-1667, or from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways: by mail, Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, Room 2510, 8610 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001; e-mail, ogis@nara.gov; telephone, (202) 741-5770 or (877) 684-6448; or fax, (202) 741-5769.

Sincerely,

Ken Moraff, Director

Office of Ecosystem Protection

cc: Cris Schena, R1 FOI Officer